(*b*) 380 sq. ft.

(*c*) The area occupied by the dais is 64 sq. ft., the witness box 9 sq. ft. and the almirah 8 sq. ft.

(*d*) Yes; the court hall is adjacent to the clerks' room. The clerks' room is separated from the court hall by a row of 4 almirahs serving as a partition wall.

(*e*) Six.

(*f*) No.

(*g*) No answer is required in view of the reply to (*f*).

Mr. President : That problem has now been solved. The Additional Munsiff's Court is now shifted to the District Magistrate's Court.

BRIDGE TO CONNECT CHENNAMANGALAM WITH THEKKETHURUTH—CONSTRUCTION OF

141. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they have any proposal with them to construct a bridge to connect Chennamangalam with Thekkethuruth ;

(*b*) if the answer to (*a*) is in the affirmative, will they be pleased to state when the work will be taken up ;

(*c*) whether they have received any petition from the inhabitants of Chennamangalam and the neighbouring places to provide a free ferry between Chennamangalam and Thekkethuruth till the bridge is constructed ;

(*d*) if answer to (*c*) is in the affirmative what action has been taken in the matter ;

(*e*) will the Government further be pleased to print and place on the table of the House the following Government orders relating to the bridge between Chennamangalam and Thekkethuruth ;

(*i*) Order dated 23rd October 1930, Dis. 357/D/06, P. W. D.

(*ii*) Memo dated 28th May 1932, D. Dis. 13943/07, D. D.

(*iii*) D. P. dated 31st March 1933, L. Dis. 12657/08, P. W. D.

(*iv*) Memo dated 3rd June 1937, L. Dis. 18131/12, P. W. D.

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(*f*) has the Chief Engineer or any other officer prepared an estimate of the bridge proposed to be constructed; if so, when; what was the estimate of expenditure?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):*

(*a*) There have been representations for the bridge mentioned in the question.

(*b*) The Road Board had recommended postponement of its construction.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) The subject is under the consideration of the Government.

(*e*) Copies of the memos D. Dis. 13943/07, dated 28th May 1932 & L. Dis. 18131/12, dated 3rd June 1937 are appended. *(Appendix III).* Copies of the other orders cannot be given.

(*f*) An estimate for the work has not been prepared.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* Is this bridge in the Talappalli Taluk?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* No. In the Cochin-Kanayannur Taluk.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* It is stated here that the copies of the orders cannot be given. May I know the reason for not placing the copies on the table of this House?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* I cannot say anything further.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Copies of some of the orders are placed. Are they confidential?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* Not if they are published.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* To my information these orders which the Government have refused to place on the table of the House are orders sanctioning the work and sanctioning the estimates.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* How do you know that it it is confidential?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* I cannot say anything more.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* May I know whether the Government are considering the question? The answer given is that there have been representations for the bridge mentioned in that question. The question is whether there is any proposal with them to construct a bridge? How can they give that answer?

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Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* There was this proposal at the time when the Road Board was looking into this question. They recommended that this work, though it is necessary, may be postponed.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* So, am I to take it that the question is now being considered by the Government? Now it is said that the Road Board recommended that to be postponed. May we take it that this question will be taken up at one time when funds are available?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* The question was placed before the Road Board and they made this recommendation for postponement.

Mr. President: In these matters, we act only on the recommendation of the Road Board.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* My question is whether they are going to take up this work immediately or whether it will be taken up in a future date when funds will be available with them?

Mr. President: The Road Board did not decide that.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* The answer to (*b*) is, "The Road Board had recommended postponement of its construction", thereby implies that the work is necessary, but will not be taken up just now.

Mr. President: It has been indefinitely postponed.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* So, it is decided as necessary, but postponed?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* Yes.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know whether the Revenue Member has received any representations from the people of Chennamangalam that a free ferry is absolutely necessary in that locality to connect Chennamangalam island with the main land.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* I am sorry, I do not recollect it.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know whether the Hon'ble Member for Engineering has received any such representation?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* Yes. The matter is under consideration of Government.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know whether he has forwarded that petition to the Revenue Department, because the ferries are under the Revenue Department?

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Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* I said that the question is under the consideration of the Government.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* For how long?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* I want notice.

KONTHIPULAM ROAD—LOCATION, ETC. OF

142. Mr. Puthur Achyuta Menon *(Kattur):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether any definite decision is arrived at regarding the Konthipulam road (location);

(*b*) if the answer is in the affirmative, which is the alignment approved;

(*c*) when will this work be undertaken?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Konthipulam-Matayikonam alignment is the one approved. It connects the Panchayat roads at Matayikonam and Nedumpal and is along the existing cart-tract.

(*c*) The acquisition proceedings are in progress and the estimate is under preparation.

FEES UNDER MOTOR VEHICLES ACT

143. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the rate of fees levied under the Motor Act for the following.—

(*i*) registration of vehicles,

(*ii*) driving licenses and badges,

(*iii*) brake certificates,

(*iv*) G. Permits,

(*v*) conductor's pass book and badges;

(*b*) whether any additional fee is levied for renewals;

(*c*) whether the Government are aware of the rates prevailing in the Madras Presidency for the above items; if so, what are the rates;

(*d*) the amounts realised by the Government in 1114 under Motor Act in each of the above items;

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APPENDIX III

(Please see answer to question No. 141)

Copy of the Memo, dated 3rd June 1937, L. Dis. 18131/12, Public Works Department

Bridge over the canal between Vadakkumpuram and Gothuruthi—Construction

Reference.—Letter dated 18th Edavam 1112 from the Secretary, V. K. Devaswam, Gothuruthi—Thekkethuruth—Chennamangalam.

The question of constructing the bridge must wait till the five year programme fixed by the Road Board is completed.

(By order of the Government of Cochin)
Sd. Deputy Secretary

To

The Secretary, V. K. Devaswam

Copy of Memo, dated 28th May 1932, D. Dis. 13943/107, Public Works Department

Bridge between Thekkethuruth and Chennamangalam—Construction of

Read (1) Petition dated 5th Medam 1107 from Mr. P. K. Kochappan and others.

(2) The Chief Engineer's letter, dated 24th May 1932, C. No. 3626/07.

The work will lie over for the present.

(By order)
Sd. For Secretary to the Diwan

To

The Petitioners.
Copy to the Chief Engineer.

APPENDIX IV

(Please see answer to question No. 150)

List of Hospitals under Honorary Doctors

No.	*Name*	*Qualification*	*Date of first appointment*	*Date of appointment to be in charge of Hospitals or Dispensaries*
1.	Messrs. T. Parameswara Menon	L. M. & S.	26— 2—'06	6—7—'06
2.	N. P. Neelakandan Nambiar	L. M. & S.	19— 4—'07	30—2—'11
3.	Paul J. Mampilly	M. B. B. S.	10— 2—'09	17—3—'12
4.	Poulose A. Panikulam	L. M. P.	6— 4—'10	1—2—'12
5.	V. K. Gangadara Menon	M. B. B. S.	21—11—'10	21—1—'14
6.	N. R. Ganapathy	L. M. & S.	17— 6—'08	11—1—'14
7.	N. Thiruvekitanathan	M. B. B. S.	2— 5—'10	24—8—'14

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